

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

A) 1. **(Original)** A method for delivering user information over a communication system, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving user identified storable information over a signaling channel; and

transmitting the received information to a destination over an available traffic channel.

2. **(Original)** The method of claim 1 where the step of receiving user identified storable information further comprises the steps of:

storing the received information;

determining a transmission time and a destination from the received information;

transmitting an alert signal over a signaling channel to the destination; and

receiving a response signal over the signaling channel from the destination.

3. **(Original)** The method of claim 2 where the step of transmitting an alert signal comprises:

formatting the alert signal in accordance with a protocol being followed by the communication system; and

transmitting the alert signal over a signaling communication channel prior to the transmission time where the transmission time is specified by the user or by the system.

4. **(Original)** The method of claim 2 where the alert signal is transmitted a certain number of times designated by the user.

5. **(Original)** The method of claim 2 where the step of transmitting an alert signal further comprises the steps of:

waiting for a user specified time period for a signal responding to the transmitted alert signal;

retransmitting the alert signal a certain number of times specified by the user; and

transmitting a message to the user over a signaling channel informing the user that the information cannot be delivered to its destination when no response signal is received after a certain number of retransmissions has occurred.

6. **(Original)** The method of claim 2 where the step of determining a transmission and a destination address comprises the step of retrieving transmission time data and the destination data from the received information.

7. **(Original)** The method of claim 1 where the received information is transmitted over an available traffic channel at a time determined by the communication system when the user has not specified a transmission time.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of postponing the transmission of the received information until at least one traffic channel becomes available.

A 9. (Currently Amended) A method for transmitting user identified storable information with a communication device over a communication system, the method comprises the steps of:

formatting user identified storable information in accordance with a protocol being followed by the communication system; and

transmitting the user identified storable information over [a] at least one signaling channel of the communication system.

10. (Original) The method of claim 9 where the step of formatting user identified storable information comprises the steps of:

obtaining the user identified storable information with a communication device; and

inserting transmission time data and the destination data in the user identified storable information.

11. (Original) The method of claim 9 where the communication device is either a cellular phone, a PDA or a personal computer.

12. **(Original)** A method for receiving user identified storable information with a communication device over a communication system, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving an alert signal over a signaling channel of the communication system;
transmitting a response signal over a signaling channel of the communication system; and

receiving user identified storable information over a traffic channel of the communication system.

13. **(Original)** The method of claim 12 where the step of transmitting a response signal over a signaling channel comprises formatting the response signal in accordance with a protocol being followed by the communication system.

14. **(Original)** The method of claim 9 where the communication device is either a cellular phone, a PDA or a personal computer.